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## Some Glaring Inconsistencies.

Some of the inconsistent statements of the Examiner's special writers sent into the Klondike country can be summed up in the following: Old Joaquin Miller writes about wading through snowbanks waist deep and in the next paragraph tells about primroses and wild strawberries that he picked while en route. Then he will scratch out something about a purling brook and switch off on an ice-bound river and yet he had only traveled a short distance up the Chilkoot Pass. Another Examiner correspondent tells about it raining incessantly since he has been in Alaska and that the thermometer was 40 degrees below zero all of the time.

These are only a few of the ridiculous things that have been published, but they are a fair sample of the rot which is claimed to have been written in the great Northwest, but which was more probably worked up in an upstairs office of the Examiner building.

The Carson bicyclists have accepted a challenge to engage in a relay race with a Reno team.

The Western Union company has a force of linemen at work in Elko wiring for a new office that will be established there in the near future.

Golconda is having a small Klondike boom of its own. A large smelter has been erected near the river and a spur track has been built from the main line down to the mines.

An exchange of recent date says that forty steamers were chartered in one day to carry American wheat to Europe, which breaks the record, at least for this time of the year. Within two weeks steamship transportation for 20,000,000 bushels of cereals to Europe from Atlantic ports has been arranged.

It is reported that the Sierra Valley railroad will soon be extended south as far as Reno. Whether or not there is any truth in the rumor the Journal is unable to state at present, but should Henry A. Bowen, president of the corporation and owner of the road, conclude to extend the railway south it will be done without "hurrubing" and in a businesslike way.

H. W. VaSenden, who was private secretary for Secretary of the Treasury Carlisle under Cleveland's administration, has been arrested for embezzlement. The young man acquired his ideas of stealing in a first class school, but neglected the all important branch of how to escape detection. John G. should have given the pupil the full benefit of his extended experience.

Lord James of Hereford has given his award in the arbitration between the Northeastern (England) Railway company and their employees. The decision of the arbitrator is entirely favorable to the men. For engine drivers, firemen, goods, mineral and pilot guards ten hours is to constitute a day's work, each day to stand by itself. Overtime is to be paid at the rate of time and a quarter and Sunday duty at the rate of time and a half. A full day's pay is to be paid for any time worked under ten hours.

In England, where labor organizations have passed beyond the stage of violence, "picketing," as it is called, is sanctioned. That is, the union, when fighting an employer, is allowed to station "pickets" just outside his premises, and try to induce the workmen as they go to and from work to join the strikers. The attempt of employers to harass the strikers with injunctions from the courts in carrying on such a campaign is an attempt to use the Government in the interest of one side as against the other. The injunction could not be brought into the matter at all.—Chicago Record.

The Nevada man who told his son who wanted to go Klondiking that "the elephant would keep," seems to all appearances to have known the animal whereof he spoke for hundreds who started to Alaska, hope high and spirits buoyant are returning faster than they went, with empty pockets and little to say.

Already tales of disorder and lawlessness give warning of what may be expected through a long and trying winter, from a motley crowd of people drawn from all quarters of the globe of different languages, in stinks, modes of living and senses of right and honor.

It looks decidedly uninviting to the casual observer at such a comfortable distance as this, some 1000 miles from the "scene of action."

The third annual conference of the Nevada state suffrage association will be held October 30, 1897, at Carson, in Odd Fellows' hall, meeting at 10 o'clock.

The Germington Rustler says: Mr. James Nichol made a big strike in copper about eight miles east of town. He has a five-foot ledge which can be traced for a distance of 1500 feet. The rock tests 30 per cent in copper.

The speed of the bicycle has not yet reached that of a running horse for a single mile, but on long distances the horse is not in it. The other day a rider on an English course made on his wheel 100 miles in 206 minutes. That is very clear railroad time.

The suit in the United States district court at Carson to recover property assigned by James Heney Attorneys Woodburn and Coffin in lieu of fees for defending him in the mint case was decided in the attorneys' favor yesterday. Woodburn gets \$2000 and Coffin \$1000.

A party of Government surveyors are at work on the Comstock and will find out, before they leave, just how far the surface of that section moves east each year. Shafts that were once struck are too crooked to allow of a bucket being dropped in them, it is said.—Carson News.

The Examiner publishes a cut of Mrs. Christine Feldt, the woman with whom Lutger the sausage-maker accused of the murdering of his wife, is said to have been in love. We no longer have any doubt of the sausage-maker's guilt. The man who could love such a looking woman as that is capable of any thing.

A certain county school district of Elko county is inquiring for a lady teacher who in middle aged and reasonably homely, stating as a cause that the young men of the district fall in love with and distract the attention of every nice looking young woman who comes here to teach. For further information apply to the County Superintendent of Schools.

The Kansas City Journal has gathered some sample stories showing that there are times when it is so dry in the western part of the State that you have to soak a hog over night before it will hold still. There are places where water is wet only on one side, and there is one place where the owner of a ferry boat hauls water 11 months in the year to keep his ferry running, while one poor farmer runs the well through the clothes wringer every morning to get water for cooking.

The Dingley bill is not an unalloyed blessing, even from the points of view of manufacturers. On the first of the present month the employees of the Napoleon Tobacco company, Chicago, were notified that, owing to the increased cost of the material used due to the Dingley bill, a cut in the wages of 20 per cent had to be made. The men struck against the reduction and now a smoke stack, that on November 3d of last year was belching smoke, presents a scene of inaction such as was portrayed by the Hanna posters picturing what would occur if Bryan were elected.—Ogden Standard.

Much significance has been given the announcement of the formation of an alliance between France and Russia, though what the nature of that alliance is wholly unknown to the public. The French people have rejoiced over it as though Alsace and Lorraine were already restored; Bismarck has made fun of it, while all the world has wondered over it. In another part of the world an incident has just transpired that may have almost as much significance as the Franco-Russian alliance. This is that China is to sell Germany a coal naval station near Foochow, the station being that of the port of Tung-yung-kow. This shows at least the existence of friendly relations between China and Germany, and may mean that Germany is cultivating friendlier and closer relations with China which she may hope to turn to her advantage some day. It would be natural if Germany should seek to make her influence in the affairs of China which she may hope to turn to her advantage some day. It would be natural if Germany should seek to make her influence in the affairs of China dominant so as to have an offset to Russia in the far east. This naval station will give her a vantage ground in more ways than one. She has a colonial policy and is very anxious to secure a hold in the islands to the south and east of the station. No nation, as a rule, wants a coaling and naval station in strange waters unless to further some foreign policy.—Salt Lake Herald.

## Hungarian Bromo Grass And Its Nevada Allies.

(Newspaper Bulletin No. 35)

In the issue of the Reno Evening Gazette of August 25th, appeared an item by Associated Press, entitled "A new forage plant," in which the plant, Bromus inermis, is said to be indigenous to the Russian steppes and one of possible agricultural value in the prairie region along the eastern base of the Rocky Mountains.

A few facts regarding this plant and some of its Nevada allies may be of some interest at this time.

The plant in question is the rather well known Hungarian Bromo grass. Since the latter part of the preceding century the grass has received more or less attention from European botanists and cultivators. Its cultivation in Europe has been carried on most actively in Hungary, where experiments in one locality extending over a period of thirty years seemed to demonstrate that the plant has great power of resisting prolonged drouth. Its cultivation in this country has been pursued at the experiment station of several States, that of California inaugurating the work and publishing the statement in 1884 that the plant seemed to do well either with or without irrigation. In the South, where the grass remains green all winter, it is said to be particularly well adapted for grazing. It yields from one to three tons of hay per acre. It adapts itself easily to climatic conditions, but varies considerably, particularly in size, on different soils.

If the government's agent has found Hungarian bromo grass growing spontaneously in Russia, under conditions similar to those prevailing on our own great plains, there may be considerable promise for its successful cultivation in that part of the United States.

The question of its value in the Great Basin region would still remain unsolved. Two phases of this question—namely, will Hungarian bromo grow here? and, in that event, would it be a valuable forage plant?—may be very properly considered in connection with an account of the bromo grasses growing spontaneously in Western Nevada. There are several of these grasses found within the Truckee Valley, some of which grow without irrigation and others seemingly dependent upon it.

Of the former the most promising is Bromus unioloides, a perennial, in many respects resembling Hungarian bromo. It grows in dry places, forming strong tufts, with ample supply of leaves. The several stalks of each plant stand two or three feet high. Its occurrence along railroad embankments, roadsides, in brick-yards and similar situations indicates that while it will grow and thrive without irrigation, a certain amount of surface cultivation is necessary for its establishment.

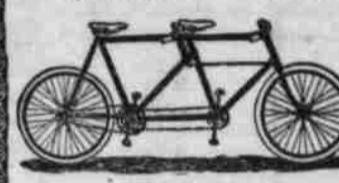
An annual species, Bromus maximus, has for several years densely clothed a dry hillside west of Reno, each year re-seeding and gradually spreading. This year it has occurred on irrigated ground at the University, indicating that it may become a troublesome weed. Its character, habit of growth, and the fact that it ripens early in June, rather preclude its being valuable as a forage plant.

The closely related chess or cheat, is becoming common in our meadows and seems as well adapted to Nevada's climate as to other parts of the world where its weedy nature is only too well known. Thus it is evident that some, at least, of the bromo grasses will grow here spontaneously, one of those so growing being very similar to the Hungarian bromo, a fact favorable to the latter respecting its possibilities. Of the value of Hungarian bromo here, should our soils and climate prove adapted to its growth, nothing positive can be safely stated; It may be said, however, that as a class the bromo grasses have not contributed materially to the list of valued agricultural grasses. Hungarian bromo and even our own Bromus unioloides might prove exceptions, however, and give valuable returns upon experimentation. F. H. HILLMAN, Agr'l Exp. Station, Dept Botany and Entomology.

P. L. Flannigan will receive \$70,000 for mutton and wool this year. D. C. Wheeler will get about as much.—Reno Gazette.

C. D. Wolcott of Helena Mont., will arrive in Nevada on the 22nd with a corps of Government surveyors, to make a geographical and topographical survey of the entire Silver Peak district. It will cost \$53,000.

A New York dispatch giving an account of the marriage of a white girl to a Chinese says that she is a romantic young lady who formerly taught a class in a Mott street mission. We should like to see the dictionary from which the writer gets his definition of "romantic." We know that most young ladies are romantic, but if attachment to an almond eyed, pigtailed heathen constitutes romance, a hickory club, even, would not be too drastic a remedy for the cure of the romantic complaint.

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**Probate Notice.**

In the District Court of the Fourth Judicial District of the State of Nevada in and for the County of Lincoln.  
In the Matter of the Estate of Archibald McNeill Deceased.  
A petition having been filed in the above entitled matter by Anthony W. Lewis, Doro McNeill and Andrew McNeill for the probate of the last will of said deceased and for the issuance of letters testamentary thereon to them.  
Notice is hereby given that a hearing on said petition will be had before said Court, at the Court House thereof on Monday the 19th day of September A. D. 1897 at 10 o'clock a. m. or so soon thereafter as the same can be heard.  
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2:50 p. m. Leave	Oasis	Arrive 2:50 a. m.
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1:05 a. m. Leave	Yaphi	" 6:40 a. m.
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7:40 p. m. Leave	Provo	" 8:50 a. m.
9:30 a. m. " "	Salt Lake	" 9:20 a. m.
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